

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the Conference Report on Agriculture Appropriations. The House agreed to H. Res. 631, honoring the members of the crew of the guided missile destroyer U.S.S. COLE who were killed or wounded in the terrorist bombing attack in Aden, Yemen, on October 12, 2000, expressing the sympathies of the House of Representatives to the families of those crew members, commending the ship's crew for their heroic damage control efforts, and condemning the bombing of the U.S.S. COLE.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3212–3218, and S. Res. 378–379. **Page S10716**

Measures Reported:

S. 2731, to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to enhance the Nation's capacity to address public health threats and emergencies, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–505)

Report to accompany S. 2917, to settle the land claims of the Pueblo of Santo Domingo. (S. Rept. No. 106–506) **Page S10715**

Measures Passed:

Water Resources Research Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4132, to reauthorize grants for water resources research and technology institutes established under the Water Resources Research Act of 1984, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10735**

Release of Edmond Pope: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 404, calling for the immediate release of Mr. Edmond Pope from prison in the Russian Federation for Humanitarian reasons. **Page S10735**

Israel's Magen David Adom Society Recognition: Senate agreed to S. Res. 343, expressing the sense of the Senate that the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement should recognize and admit to

full membership Israel's Magen David Adom Society with its emblem, the Red Shield of David.

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Condemning Assassination of Father John Kaiser: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 146, condemning the assassination of Father John Kaiser and others in Kenya, and calling for a thorough investigation to be conducted in those cases, a report on the progress made in such an investigation to be submitted to Congress by December 15, 2000, and a final report on such an investigation to be made public, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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U.S. Navy 225th Birthday: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 373, recognizing the 225th birthday of the United States Navy, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Earth, Wind, and Fire Authorization Act: Senate passed S. 1639, to authorize appropriations for carrying out the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977, for the National Weather Service and Related Agencies, and for the United States Fire Administration for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Sessions (for Frist) Amendment No. 4323, in the nature of a substitute.

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Fire Administration Authorization Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1550, to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Sessions (for Frist) Amendment No. 4324, in the nature of a substitute.

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Honoring U.S.S. Cole Victims: Senate agreed to S. Res. 378, honoring the members of the crew of the guided missile destroyer U.S.S. Cole (DDG-67) who were killed or wounded in the terrorist bombing attack on that vessel in Aden, Yemen, on October 12, 2000, expressing the sympathies of the Senate to the families of those crew members, commending the ship's crew for the heroic damage control efforts, and condemning the bombing of that ship.

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Memorializing U.S.S. Cole Sailors: Senate agreed to S. Res. 379, memorializing the sailors of the Navy lost in the attack on the U.S.S. Cole (DDG-67) in the port of Aden, Yemen, on October 12, 2000; extending condolences to their families and other loved ones; extending sympathy to the members of the crew of that vessel who were injured in the attack; and commending the entire crew for its performance and professionalism in saving the U.S.S. Cole.

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Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of S. 2508, to amend the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act of 1988 to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, with certain amendments to be proposed thereto, at a time to be determined.

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Agriculture Appropriations Conference Report: By 86 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 277), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4461, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, clearing the measure for the President.

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Treaties Approved: The following treaties having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Treaty with Mexico on Delimitation of Continental Shelf (Treaty Doc. 106-39), with the declaration and proviso indicated in Section VII;

Protocol Amending the 1950 Consular Convention with Ireland (Treaty Doc. 106-43), with the declaration and proviso indicated in Section VI;

Inter-American Convention on Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad (Treaty Doc. 104-35), with conditions indicated in Section VI;

Treaty with Belize for the Return of Stolen Vehicles (Treaty Doc. 105-54), with declarations and provisos indicated in Section VII;

Treaty with Costa Rica on Return of Vehicles and Aircraft (Treaty Doc. 106-40), with declarations and provisos indicated in Section VII;

Treaty with Dominican Republic for the Return of Stolen or Embezzled Vehicles (Treaty Doc. 106-7), with declarations and provisos indicated in Section VII;

Treaty with Guatemala for the Return of Stolen, Robbed, Embezzled or Appropriated Vehicles and Aircraft (Treaty Doc. 105-58), with declarations and provisos indicated in Section VII;

Treaty with Panama on Return of Vehicles and Aircraft (Treaty Doc. 106-44), declarations and provisos indicated in Section VII;

Investment Treaty with Azerbaijan (Treaty Doc. 106-47), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Bahrain (Treaty Doc. 106-25), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Bolivia (Treaty Doc. 106-26), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Croatia (Treaty Doc. 106-29), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with El Salvador (Treaty Doc. 106-28), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Honduras (Treaty Doc. 106-27), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Jordan (Treaty Doc. 106-30), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Lithuania (Treaty Doc. 106-42), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Mozambique (Treaty Doc. 106-31), with a declaration and proviso;

Investment Treaty with Uzbekistan (Treaty Doc. 104-25), with a declaration and proviso;

Protocol Amending Investment Treaty with Panama (Treaty Doc. 106-46);

Treaty with Cyprus on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106-35), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Treaty with Egypt on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106-19), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Treaty with France on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106-17), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Treaty with Greece on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–18), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Treaty with Nigeria on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 102–26), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Treaty with Romania on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–20), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Treaty with South Africa on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–36), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Treaty with Ukraine on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–16), with an understanding, a declaration, and two provisos;

Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters with Related Optional Protocol (Treaty Doc. 105–25), with an understanding, a declaration, and a proviso;

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought, Particularly in Africa, with Annexes (Treaty Doc. 104–29), with five understandings, three declarations, and two provisos;

Extradition Treaty with Belize (Treaty Doc. 106–38), with an understanding, a declaration, and a proviso;

Extradition Treaty with Paraguay (Treaty Doc. 106–4), with an understanding, a declaration, and a proviso;

Extradition Treaty with South Africa (Treaty Doc. 106–24), with an understanding, a declaration, and a proviso;

Extradition Treaty with Sri Lanka (Treaty Doc. 106–34), with an understanding, a declaration, and a proviso; and

International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) (Treaty Doc. 106–23), with three understandings, a declaration, and two provisos. **Pages S10658–67**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate Confirmed the following nominations:

John E. McLaughlin, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence.

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Messages From the House: **Pages S10712–13**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—277) **Page S10701**

Recess: Senate convened at 10:01 a.m., and recessed at 7:29 p.m., until 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 19, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10742.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 5482–5498; 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 114, and H. Res. 641–642 were introduced. **Pages H10256–57**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 3250, to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of minority individuals, amended (H. Rept. 106–986);

H.R. 1552, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 and fiscal year 2001 for the Marine Research and related environmental research and development program activities of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Science Foundation, amended (H. Rept. 106–987, Pt. 1);

Conference report on H.R. 4635, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–988);

H. Res. 637, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 114, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 (H. Rept. 106–989);

H. Res. 638, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4635, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–990);